OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF BRANDS

FOR THE

PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Address all Communications respecting Brands to The Recorder of Brands MEDICINE HAT, Alta.

Medicine Hat, Alta.
January, 1915.

NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF BRAND.

Ledger D
Folio 343
Number 8037

Brand

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on
horses
(Horses or Cattle)

Date of Allotment.
May 23/05

Sir,—

In accordance with the provisions of section 4 of the new Brand Act for the Province, I beg to notify you that your brand, as described on the margin hereof, will be cancelled upon the 31st December, 1915. You may again secure this brand for a further period of four years by making application upon the enclosed form, which should be forwarded to this office before the above date, accompanied by the fee of $2.00, when new certificate will be sent you.

On the other side of this sheet you will find a synopsis of the important clauses of the Brand Act.

Please give this your early attention.

Yours obediently,

JAMES WILSON,
Recorder of Brands

To Chas. Day
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(See other side.)

SYNOPSIS OF THE BRAND ACT

The records of the Brand Office at the 31st December, 1914, contained upwards of 45,000 brands. A large proportion of these were issued previous to 1907.

The Brand Commissioners at their first meeting in January, 1907, recommended the Department to relieve the pressure for new brands by cancelling all the old ones and thus throw open for allotment a great many brands which are no longer in use.

The Department have now seen fit to act upon this recommendation and a new Brand Act has been placed upon the Statutes and is now in force.

The principal feature of the new Act and Amendments thereto is that all brands will for the future be cancelled every fourth year, but will be held for renewal to owners from time to time for further periods of four years. No cancelled brand will be issued to a new applicant until a period of one year after date of cancellation.

Notice of cancellation will be given to every owner during the year in which his brand falls to be cancelled.

A recorded brand upon stock gives owners exclusive right to ownership of animal.

Extracts From the Brand Act and Amendment.

Sec. 4. All brands allotted under the provisions of this Act and all brands and vents allotted under the provisions of any other Act or Ordinance and, save as hereinafter provided, all rights of the owner thereto, therein or thereunder shall be cancelled and determined as and upon the several dates respectively hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:

Those allotted prior to January 1st, 1907, upon December 31st, 1915;

Those allotted during the years 1907, 1908 and 1909, upon December 31st, 1916;

Those allotted during the years 1910, 1911 and 1912, upon December 31st, 1917;

Those allotted during the years 1913 and 1914, upon December 31st, 1918;

And thereafter those allotted subsequent to the 31st day of December in the year 1914, upon the 31st day of December in the fourth year next following the year during which such brand was allotted."

Provided, that upon application during the year in which any brand would become cancelled hereunder the allotment and exclusive right to the use thereof may from time to time be renewed for a further period of four years from the end of such year:

Provided further, that the owner of any brand so cancelled may, upon application in writing, not later than three months next after the date of such cancellation procure the re-allotment to him of such brand.

(2) Save as herein provided no brand shall, after any cancellation thereof, be again allotted to any person until after the expiration of one year after the date of its cancellation.

Sec. 5. Until the cancellation of the same the owner of any brand allotted under this Act or under any other Act or Ordinance shall have the exclusive right to the use thereof, and during such period the mark of any brand upon stock not bearing the mark of a subsequent vent by the owner of such brand shall be prima facie evidence in any court or tribunal in Alberta of the ownership by the owner of such brand of the animal bearing the same, but no such presumption of ownership shall arise or be given effect to in any case where the brand upon any such animal has not been recorded or has been cancelled prior to such evidence being tendered.

Sec. 8. Any person requiring the allotment to him of a brand, or the re-allotment or the renewal thereof, shall make application therefor to the recorder, which application shall be accompanied by the proper fee therefor as prescribed in the said tariff, and upon being satisfied that such application is in conformity with the provisions of this Act the recorder shall grant such application and enter such allotment, renewal or reallotment in the record forthwith:

Provided, however, that the Minister may, if he deems it advisable, refuse any such application:

Provided also, that no brand shall be allotted to an Indian, living upon a reserve.

Sec. 9. Upon the recording of the allotment, renewal or re-allotment of any brand as aforesaid the person in whose name the same is last recorded shall become the owner thereof and of all rights thereto and therein and the recorder shall deliver or transmit to such person a certificate of the allotment, renewal or re-allotment thereof and of the recorded entry of the same, and the production of any certificate purporting to be a certificate signed by the recorder under the provisions of this section in any court or tribunal in Alberta shall be prima facie evidence of the ownership of such brand without any further proof of signature.

Sec.12. It shall be the duty of the recorder in each year to notify the owners of all brands which would expire and become cancelled at the expiration of such year of the date upon which the same will become cancelled, unless previously renewed, and such notice shall be given by registered letter, postage prepaid and addressed to such owners respectively at their respective post offices as entered in the said record.

TARIFF OF FEES

On application of allotment of a brand	$3.00
On application of a renewal of a brand	2.00
On application of a re-allotment of a brand	3.00
On application for a change in the record of a brand	2.00
On every transfer of a recorded brand	3.00
For every search of the brand record	1.00
For every certified extract from the brand record	2.00